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**FOR:** BREEDING METHOD OF FEMALE PIG FOR  
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PROPAGATION

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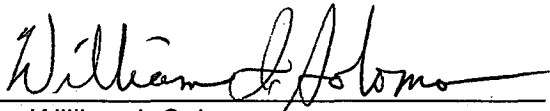
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 35 USC §119 and 37 CFR §1.55, Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based upon the following listed prior foreign applications, each filed in Japan:

- (1) No. 296727/1999, filed October 19, 1999;
- (2) No. 047728/2000, filed February 24, 2000;
- (3) No. 071594/2000, filed March 15, 2000.

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